

GREEN LAKE COUNTY

BOARD PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING

July 19, 2022

The Green Lake County Board of Supervisors met in special session, Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 6:00 PM via remote access and in person access for the regular meeting of the Board.

The Board was called to order by Chair David Abendroth. Roll call taken – Present - 17, Absent – 2 (Curt Talma-District 3, Don Lenz-District 13)

<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>Supervisor Districts</u>
Nancy Hoffmann	1
Charles Buss (Zoom)	2
David Abendroth	4
Ken Bates (Zoom)	5
Brian Floeter	6
Bob Schweder	7
Nancy Hiestand (Zoom)	8
Bill Boutwell	9
Sue Wendt	10
Harley Reabe	11
Charlie Wielgosh	12
Dennis Mulder	14
Nita Krenz	15
Joe Gonyo (Zoom)	16
Luke Dretske	17
Richard Trochinski	18
Gene Thom	19

READING OF THE CALL

The Green Lake County Board of Supervisors will convene via virtual communication and in person at the Government Center in the City of Green Lake, Wisconsin on Tuesday the 19th day of July, 2022 at 6:00 PM for a special meeting of the Board. Business to be transacted includes:

CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
READING OF THE CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MINUTES OF 06/21/2022 MEETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS
PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minute limit)
APPEARANCES

- Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf, WCA – county government administrative options
- Monthly Update from County Administrator Cathy Schmit
- Gary Podoll, Emergency Management Director – ARPA funding request

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE – DENICE OFT, SHERIFF’S OFFICE CLERK
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDERING SHIRTS FOR COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTIONS

- Resolution 17-2022 Final Resolution Regarding Unconditional County Guaranty of Its Pro Rata Share, Intergovernmental Agreement and Taxable Revenue Bond Financing for Bug Tussel 1, LLC Project
- Resolution 18-2022 Relating to Use of General Fund Reserve Funds for Highway Property Improvements Related to County Jr. Free Fair

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- Discussion regarding administrative form of county government

ORDINANCES

- Ordinance 10-2022 Relating to Abolishing the Office of County Administrator

CLOSED SESSION

- The County Board may enter into Closed Session under Wis. §19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is involved. This matter related to Green Lake County vs. Purdue Pharma L.P. et al.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION, IF APPROPRIATE, TO TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN
CLOSED SESSION

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

- Treasurer
- Finance

DEPARTMENTS TO REPORT ON August 16, 2022

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FOR ACTION & DISCUSSION

ADJOURN

Given under my hand and official seal at the Government Center in the City of Green Lake, Wisconsin this 8th day of July, 2022

Elizabeth A. Otto
Green Lake County Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

MINUTES OF 06/21/2022 MEETING

2. **Motion/second (Boutwell/Reabe)** to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2022 County Board meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. The next meeting of the County Board will take place on August 16, 2022 at 6:00 PM.
4. County Clerk Liz Otto reminded the supervisors that they need to turn in current proof of auto insurance in order to be paid for mileage.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE – DENICE OFT, SHERIFF’S OFFICE CLERK

5. Chair Abendroth presented Denice Oft, Sheriff’s Office Clerk, with a plaque and congratulated her on her retirement after 24 years of service to Green Lake County.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minute limit)

6. Sheriff Mark Podoll requested that public comment be allowed during the Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting in regard to the County Administrator position.

APPEARANCES

7. County Administrator Cathy Schmit gave updates on EMS service reports sent to the Judicial Law committee, ARPA funding, communication tower updates, a scheduled meeting with Marquette County to discuss the Medical Examiner position, UWEX staff update, Pay for Performance changes, the 2023 budget process, and a new tri-county EDC model proposal which will be discussed at an upcoming meeting. She also stated the 2021 annual audit is almost complete.
8. Gary Podoll, Emergency Management Director, did not appear. Chair Abendroth stated that Podoll will speak at the next Finance meeting in regard to the ARPA funding request.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDERING SHIRTS FOR COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISORS

9. No discussion or action taken.

RESOLUTIONS

10. Resolution 17-2022 Final Resolution Regarding Unconditional County Guaranty of Its Pro Rata Share, Intergovernmental Agreement and Taxable Revenue Bond Financing for Bug Tussel 1, LLC Project. **Motion/second (Hiestand/Boutwell)** to adopt Resolution 17-2022. No discussion. Roll call vote on motion to adopt Resolution 17-2022 – Ayes – 17, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 2 (Talma, Lenz). Resolution 17-2022 passed as adopted.
11. Resolution 18-2022 Relating to Use of General Fund Reserve Funds for Highway Property Improvements Related to County Jr. Free Fair. Supervisor Mulder requested an itemized list of improvement requests for

the Highway Committee. Discussion held. **Motion/second (Floeter/Boutwell)** to postpone the resolution indefinitely. Roll call vote on motion to postpone indefinitely – Ayes – 15, Nays – 1 (Bates), Abstain – 0, Absent – 3 (Buss, Talma, Lenz). Motion carried.

APPEARANCES (cont'd)

12. Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf of the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) gave a presentation on county government administrative options. She provided a Power Point and answered questions following the presentation.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

13. **Motion/second (Wendt/Mulder)** to dissolve into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussing the county administrative form of government. Motion carried with no negative vote.
14. Chair Abendroth appointed Vice Chair Gene Thom as the Chair to preside over the Committee of the Whole. Thom was seated as Chair.
15. **Motion/second (Schweder/Dretske)** to allow public comment during this portion of the meeting. Motion carried with no negative vote.
16. Sheriff Mark Podoll, HHS Director Jason Jerome, Highway Commissioner Derek Mashuda, Patrol Superintendent Jason Franke, Planning & Zoning Director Matt Kirkman, and former Highway Commissioner Barry Mashuda all spoke in favor of retaining the County Administrator position.
17. Discussion held among supervisors with input from County Administrator Cathy Schmit.
18. **Motion/second (Reabe/Schweder)** to dissolve the Committee of the Whole and return to the County Board meeting. Motion carried with no negative vote.

ORDINANCES

19. Supervisor Dretske left the meeting at 8:00 PM. Supervisors present – 16, Absent – 3 (Talma, Lenz, Dretske).
20. Ordinance 10-2022 Relating to Abolishing the Office of County Administrator. **Motion/second (Floeter/Mulder)** to postpone indefinitely. Roll vote on motion to postpone indefinitely – Ayes – 15, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 4 (Buss, Talma, Lenz, Dretske).

CLOSED SESSION

21. **Motion/second (Thom/Boutwell)** to enter into Closed Session at 8:30 PM under Wis. §19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning

strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is involved. This matter relates to Green Lake County vs. Purdue Pharma L.P. et al.

22. Roll vote on motion to enter into Closed Session at 8:14 PM – Ayes – 15, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 4 (Buss, Talma, Lenz, Dretske). Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION, IF APPROPRIATE, TO TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

23. *Motion/second (Hoffman/Reabe)* to reconvene into Open Session at 8:30 PM.
24. Roll vote on motion to reconvene into Open Session – Ayes – 15, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 4 (Buss, Talma, Lenz, Dretske). Motion carried.
25. *Motion/second (Thom/Schweder)* to direct Corporation Counsel to securitize the opioid settlement payments. Motion carried with no negative vote.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

26. Treasurer – request to transfer \$3,000 from redeemed credit card points to the Personnel Training account for the purpose of training new staff.
27. *Motion/second (Trochinski/Mulder)* to approve the budget adjustment as presented. Roll vote on motion to approve – Ayes – 15, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 4 (Buss, Talma, Lenz, Dretske). Motion carried.
28. Finance – request to record ARPA funds and designated expenditures.
- Motion/second (Trochinski/Schweder)* to approve the budget adjustment as presented. Roll vote on motion to approve – Ayes – 15, Nays – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 4 (Buss, Talma, Lenz, Dretske). Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTS TO REPORT ON August 16, 2022

29. To be determined

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION

30. None

ADJOURN

31. Chairman Abendroth adjourned the meeting at 8:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth Otto
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County Clerk